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PETITION FOR FIVE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner for Patents under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the time for filing a Brief on Appeal in response to the Final Official Action mailed December 27, 2002. A Notice of Appeal was filed on June 23, 2003 and

was received by United States Patent and Trademark Office on June 25, 2003. Therefore, the five (5) months extension of time is from August 25, 2003 to January 25, 2004. Under provision 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(5), the required fee is \$1,005.00. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

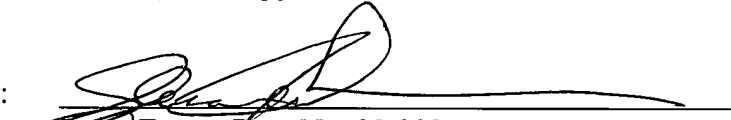
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